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Notification of Non-Compliant Appeal Brief (37 CFR 41.37)

Application No.	Applicant(s)	
10/073,598	BEAULIEU, NICOLE	
Examiner	Art Unit	
Robert Mosser	3714	

The Appeal Brief filed on March 21st, 2005 is defective for failure to comply with one or more provisions of 37 CFR 41.37.

To avoid dismissal of the appeal, applicant must file a complete new brief in compliance with 37 CFR 41.37 within ONE MONTH or THIRTY DAYS from the mailing date of this Notification, whichever is longer. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME

- PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136. The brief does not contain the items required under 37 CFR 41.37(c), or the items are not under the proper heading or in the proper order. 2. 🔯 The brief does not contain a statement of the status of all claims, (e.g., rejected, allowed or confirmed, withdrawn, objected to, canceled), or does not identify the appealed claims (37 CFR 41.37(c)(1)(iii)). 3. □ At least one amendment has been filed subsequent to the final rejection, and the brief does not contain a statement of the status of each such amendment (37 CFR 41.37(c)(1)(iv)). 4. (a) The brief does not contain a concise explanation of the subject matter defined in each of the independent claims involved in the appeal, referring to the specification by page and line number and to the drawings, if any, by reference characters; and/or (b) the brief fails to: (1) identify, for each independent claim involved in the appeal and for each dependent claim argued separately, every means plus function and step plus function under 35 U.S.C. 112, sixth paragraph, and/or (2) set forth the structure, material, or acts described in the specification as corresponding to each claimed function with reference to the specification by page and line number, and to the drawings, if any, by reference characters (37 CFR 41.37(c)(1)(v)). 5. 🛛 The brief does not contain a concise statement of each ground of rejection presented for review (37 CFR 41.37(c)(1)(vi)) The brief does not present an argument under a separate heading for each ground of rejection on appeal (37 CFR
- 6. 41.37(c)(1)(vii)).
- 7. The brief does not contain a correct copy of the appealed claims as an appendix thereto (37 CFR 41.37(c)(1)(viii)).
- The brief does not contain copies of the evidence submitted under 37 CFR 1.130, 1.131, or 1.132 or of any other evidence entered by the examiner and relied upon by appellant in the appeal, along with a statement setting forth where in the record that evidence was entered by the examiner, as an appendix thereto (37 CFR 41.37(c)(1)(ix)).
- 9. The brief does not contain copies of the decisions rendered by a court or the Board in the proceeding identified in the Related Appeals and Interferences section of the brief as an appendix thereto (37 CFR 41.37(c)(1)(x)).
- Other (including any explanation in support of the above items):

See attached.

⁻⁻ The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address--

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DETAILED ACTION

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Appellant's Notice of Appeal has been entered.

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The appeal brief presented on March 21st, 2005, is in non-compliance with 37 CFR 41.37 for the following reason(s):

Section III fails to identify the claims on appeal.

Section V contains an incorrect heading, fails to provide a concise explanation of the subject matter defined in each independent claim involved in the appeal and fails to incorporate supporting citations (page and line number) from applicants disclosure.

Section VI contains an incorrect title and the grounds of rejection need state no more then the rejection and claims subjected to the rejection. (Claims 1 through 10 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. xxx)

Section VII should address each ground of rejection under a separate subheading. Any claim(s) argued separately should be placed under a sub-heading

Sections VIII-X including headings are omitted and must be included even in the case where the respective sections are empty.

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The appeal brief has been filed under the prior rule 37 CFR 1.192. New rules regulating appeals became effective September 13th, 2004. See Federal register, Vol. 69, No. 155/
Thursday August 12th, 2004 and

www.uspto.gov/web/offices/pac/oplapresentation.html for the September 16th, 2004 training presentation entitled "final rule making on Practice Before the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences (BPAI). Appellant must submit a new appeal brief under the requirements as set forth by 37 CFR 41.37

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Robert Mosser whose telephone number is (571)-272-4451. The examiner can normally be reached on 8:30-4:30 Monday-Thursday.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Derris H Banks can be reached on (571) 272-4419. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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